



**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND  
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**EARLY INTERVENTION  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD AND PUBLIC HEARING  
ON THE PROPOSED ANNUAL STATE APPLICATION TO THE OFFICE  
OF SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS UNDER PART C OF THE  
INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES ACT FOR FFY 2013**

The purpose of this notice is to provide reasonable opportunity for all interested persons to review and submit comments, in writing on the proposed Annual State Application to the Office of Special Education Programs under Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act for FFY 2013.

A public hearing will also be held:   Friday, April 5, 2013  
10:00am-12:00pm  
Arnold Conference Center  
Eleanor Slater Hospital  
111 Howard Ave.  
Cranston, RI 02920

The proposed changes to the application include:

- Updated -Description of Use of Part C Funds.
- Revised policy and procedure related to personnel
- Revised policy and procedure related to eligibility
- Revised policy and procedure related to evaluation and assessment
- Revised policy and procedure related to transition
- New policy and procedure and written notice related to system of payments
- Revised policy and procedure related to geographic equity
- New description of State efforts to collaborate with Head Start and early education and child care programs
- Revised policy and procedure related to public participation requirements for adopting new policies and procedures

The Application and new or revised policies and procedures may be found at:

<http://www.dhs.ri.gov/Publications/ReportsPublications/EarlyIntervention/tabid/751/Default.aspx>

This information will be available to the public for a period of at least 60 days prior to submission and open for public comment from March 4, 2013 until April 12, 2013. The Application is due to the Office of Special Education Programs on April 22 2013.

Written comments may be submitted to Brenda DuHamel, Part C Coordinator @ the Executive Office of Health and Human Services, Hazard Building, 74 West Road, Cranston, RI 02920 before 4pm on April 12, 2013.

If you need additional assistance or accommodations to attend this meeting please call (401) 462-0318 at least 48 hours in advance.